## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 472 By Kilby

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Deanna Hensley, 2003 Valedictorian of Midway High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Deanna Hensley is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2003 graduating class at Midway High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Hensley has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Deanna Hensley has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, as a result of her dedication to academic excellence, Ms. Hensley has received a myriad of awards and honors, including the Character Counts! Award, the English 1,

2, 3, and 4 Awards, the Senior English and Science Department Awards, and the U.S. and World History Awards; and

WHEREAS, Deanna Hensley also excels outside of the classroom, lending her valuable athletic abilities to the basketball and softball teams and her strong leadership abilities to the Beta Club, which she served as President, the Student Council, which she served as President, and the Yearbook Staff, which she served as Editor; and

WHEREAS, wholly committed to making a difference in the lives of others, Ms. Hensley wisely apportions her time to participate in a number of community projects and civic activities, including the Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk, the Habitat for Humanity Walk, and the Relay for Life; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hensley's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success at Austin Peay State University, where she plans to pursue the study of chemistry and biology in preparation for pharmacy school; and

WHEREAS, Deanna Hensley's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gary and Deidra Hensley, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hensley's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2003 Midway High School Valedictorian, Deanna Hensley, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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